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# Dress Fabrics: For Evening Wear.

Special Display and Sale Begins To-Day.

We note first of all about these goods that the qualities are of the best; next, that the shades are the most fashionable of the season; and lastly, that the prices are very low—only two or three ranging over a dollar a yard, and even these few are low in comparison with their value.

Displayed on main floor tables and in Broad Street windows.

Embroidered Tissue, 59c yard.  
Plain Chiffon de Soie, 59c yard.  
Striped Chiffon de Soie, 59c yard.  
Eolienne de Soie, 39c yard.  
French Eolienne, 39c yard.  
Chiffon de Soie, 39c yard.  
All-Silk Crepe de Chine, 50c yard.  
Messaline Silks, 75c yard.  
Japanese Silks, 50c yard.

Corean Silks, 69c yard; 30 inches wide, very high luster.  
One Seam-O Crepe de Chine, \$1 yard; 40 inches wide.  
Pompadour Crepe de Chine, 59c yard.  
Satin Stripe Chiffons, \$1.50 yard; 44 inches wide.  
Calcium Silks, \$1.50 yard; 44 inches wide.  
Pompadour Silk Brocade, \$2.98 yard.

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## NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

Thomas Moody, a Negro, Almost Causes a Riot in Street Yesterday.

## COOK HURT IN EXPLOSION

Manchester Lodge, A. E. and A. M., Will Have Celebration To-Night.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, No. 102 Hill Street.

Thomas Moody, a South Carolina negro, was arrested yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock in Baltimore Way, charged with being drunk and having a concealed weapon.

On Fourth and Hill Streets, where he was arrested, Moody was walking, or rather, he was standing, and once in a while he would look out from his back pocket and hold it out in his hand, saying that he "wasn't scared of no man." Policeman Waymick happened to approach the spot, arrested the negro and searched him and found a small knife in his pocket. Moody was taken to the station and held in the cell. He was released after a few hours.

## Explosion in House.

In the home of Mrs. Bradley, of No. 123 Fairview Street, about 11 o'clock yesterday morning, a water-bug in a range broke, causing an explosion. No one was hurt, but the house was damaged. The explosion was caused by a gas leak from the range.

## Big Fire in Chesterfield.

The new barn and additional sheds, together with 500 square of corn and all farming implements, situated by Mr. Charles Cunningham, of Piddling Creek, Chesterfield county, were utterly destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock. The loss is estimated at \$20,000. The fire was caused by a spark from the chimney of the barn.

## In Police Court.

Benjamin Hester, a small white boy, charged with shooting at a rifle at another boy, was dismissed.

## St. John's Night.

There will be a St. John's Eve celebration at the St. John's Episcopal Church, on Monday night, December 31st. The program includes a play, a concert, and a social hour.

## Mr. Jim Botts Hurt.

Mr. Jim Botts was hurt yesterday when he fell from a horse. He is recovering from his injuries.

## Xmas Gifts of Known Quality.

FOR MORE than one hundred years it has been sufficient guarantee of the quality of an article to know that it was bought at Galt & Bro.

All correspondence given careful attention. Goods sent on approval, express prepaid.

Galt & Bro., Established Over a Century, Jewelers, Silver-Smiths, Stationers, 1107 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C.

## ENTIRE ISSUE OF BONDS MARKETED

Residue of \$508,000 Disposed of Yesterday at Satisfactory Price.

## BOUGHT BY LOCAL INVESTORS

Issue Authorized Some Months Ago to Pay for Various Public Improvements.

The Finance Committee of the Council had an important meeting yesterday afternoon at which the remainder of the four per cent bonds recently authorized were sold.

It will be recalled that \$500,000 of the total issue of the \$508,000 recently sold above par. At that time the committee authorized the sale of the other \$8,000 until a later date. Yesterday this large issue was sold to the holders offering. The committee, while admitting that the bonds had been marketed, declined to state at precisely what price they were sold, further than to say that it was a very satisfactory price. That it was regarded as meaning that the bonds brought far value or very close to that figure. It is understood also that practically the entire issue was sold to Richmond investors. This conclusively demonstrates the faith of local investors in the value of the city's securities.

## ANTI-ABATTOIR FORCES.

## Mass Meeting of Opponents of Ordinance to Be Had To-Day.

A public meeting, this evening, in the assembly room of the Chamber of Commerce by the opponents of the ordinance drawn to permit Mr. W. S. Forbes and associates to construct and operate an abattoir in the city limits. The Council Committee, in its report, has recommended a few days ago deferred action on the ordinance until a public meeting could be had next Thursday, January 25. It is asserted by advocates of the ordinance on the committee that it will be recommended to the Council.

## Many Are to Marry.

Christmas matrimony continues active despite the passing of the day of days. The following licenses were issued yesterday by the clerk of the Hunting Court to intending partners on the union:

Edmund L. Gathright and Rosa R. Mink, John T. Archer and Annie L. Kennedy, Charles H. Davis and Ada Stewart, William S. Jackson and Salie P. Padgett, George H. Harrison and Lillian W. Waggoner, Marvin W. Bates and Myrtle L. Lawrence, Jacob M. Strickler and Lillian E. Hulsebosch.

## CAPT. LAMB WOULD SETTLE QUESTION

Invokes Record as to General Lee's Alleged Disbanding of Troops.

Confederate John Lamb is deeply indebted to President Roosevelt's recent reference to General R. E. Lee's alleged disbanding of the 1st Virginia Cavalry in 1864, in disbanding a battalion of Confederate troops for cowardly conduct. Captain Lamb has had a number of inquiries on the subject, and in order to settle the President's statement he has written General F. C. Almshouse, of the War Department, asking that the records be searched for the order in this case.

## Raising Schooner.

The "Theodore" schooner, which was captured by the Union navy, is being raised. The schooner was captured by the Union navy in 1864, and has been in the hands of the Confederates ever since.

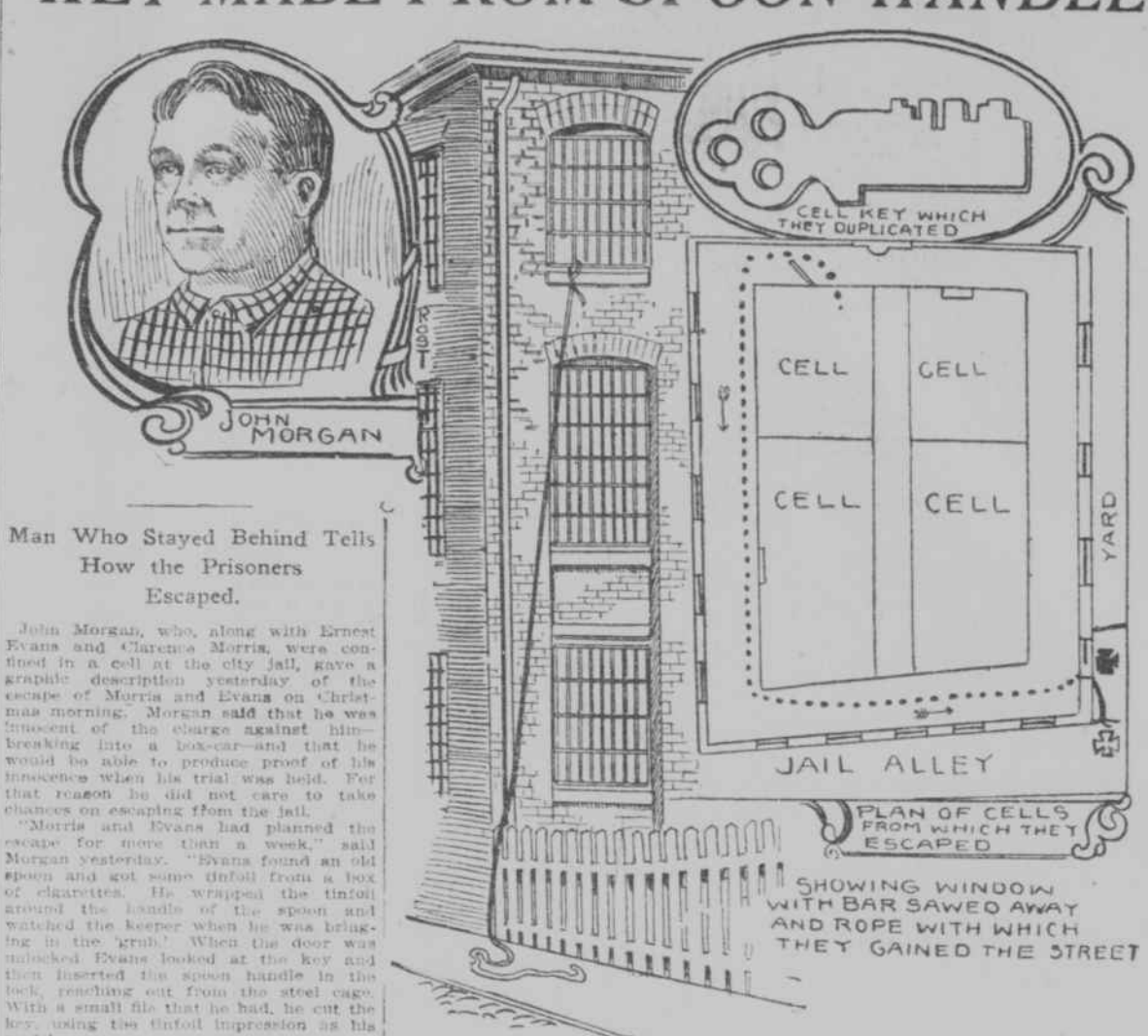
## Governor Will Speak.

Governor Westcott yesterday signed an invitation to address the City of Richmond. He is expected to arrive in the city on Monday night.

## Interest Checks.

There is a great deal of interest in the case of the "Theodore" schooner, which was captured by the Union navy in 1864, and has been in the hands of the Confederates ever since.

# OPENED DOOR OF CELL WITH KEY FROM SPOON HANDLE



## Man Who Stayed Behind Tells How the Prisoners Escaped.

John Morgan, who, along with Ernest Evans and Clarence Morris, were confined in a cell at the city jail, gave a graphic description yesterday of the escape of Morris and Evans on Christmas morning. Morgan said that he was innocent of the charge against him—breaking into a house—and that he would be able to produce proof of his innocence when his trial was held. For that reason he did not care to take chances on escaping from the jail.

Morgan said Evans had planned the escape for more than a week. He said Morgan yesterday, "Evans found an old spoon and got some tin foil from a box of cigarettes. He wrapped the tin foil around the handle of the spoon and watched the keeper when he was locking in the 'grub.' When the door was unlocked Evans looked at the key and then inserted the spoon handle in the lock, reaching out from the steel cage. With a small file that he had, he cut the key, using the tin foil impression as his model.

## Key Did the Work.

"Late in the night he used the key, and it unlocked the door. Then both men went to the window, and with a saw cut one of the bars. They bent the bar over and broke it at the bottom. Then they slipped down to the ground on a rope they had."

"How did they get this rope?" he was asked.

"It's not right to tell all about the happening," said Morgan.

## CHINAMAN IS NOW CHURCH MEMBER

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ness-at which he earns such living as he may.

The Chinese Sunday school class was started about sixteen years ago, in the old City Street Church. The proprietor of the present Calvary Church, under the pastorate of Rev. N. S. Clough, during that time it has ministered into the spiritual needs of those Chinese of the city who wished to know something of the religion of the people among whom they lived.

## First He Ever Saw.

Rev. Dr. R. J. Williamson was present, and the secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board said that it was the first specimen of the kind that he had ever witnessed.

## Here for Holidays.

Miss Mabel Towers, of Mechanics, is in the city for the holidays. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Gordon McCauley, of the Sixth United States Cavalry, stationed at Fort Kaho in Hawaii.

## Rector Remembered.

Rev. Thomas Sorenson, rector of St. Andrew's Church, was given yesterday a touching exhibition of the regard in which he is held by the Sunday school pupils of St. Andrew's. He was presented with a handsome set of books, all the works of standard authors. Mr. Sorenson made a graceful speech, expressing his thanks for the mark of the public esteem.

## To Elect Officers.

Three Lodges, No. 21, A. E. and A. M., will meet at the Masonic Temple to-day at 7 P. M., for the election of officers.

## On Retired List.

Recently Charles E. Ross, of Salisbury, N. C., has been placed on the retired list by order of Governor Swanson.

## COURT IS RAISED AS TO ORDINANCE

Some Question if Council Can Increase Attorney's Salary During Term of Office.

## TEXT OF THE MEASURE

Enacting Clause Provides That It Shall Be Effective From Its Passage.

The recommendation of the Ordinance Committee, proposing to increase the salary of the city attorney to \$3,000 a year, requiring that he devote his entire time to his duties, and authorizing an assistant at a salary of \$1,500 per year, will go to the Council at its meeting on Monday, January 8th. It will probably be referred to the Committee on Finance.

In the ordinance, in the enacting clause, is made to become effective from the passage. While there will probably be little opposition to the proposition itself, there is some doubt whether the Council has authority to increase the salary of an officer elected by the people.

The purpose of the ordinance is to remunerate the attorney, so that he may be able to devote his entire time and talents exclusively to the city. It was argued that the city should have an attorney capable of seeing with the ability, corporation or other lawyers, and that such a man cannot be secured who will devote his entire time to the city's interests at the compensation now paid.

## Text of Ordinance.

Here is the full text of the Ordinance, which was recommended by the Ordinance Committee, and is to be presented to the Council on Monday, January 8th.

That section 1 of Chapter 25 of the City Code, which is now in effect, be amended to read as follows:

There shall be a city attorney, who shall be appointed and qualified. He shall give the full time to the discharge of his duties as city attorney, except when he is engaged in the practice of his profession, and he shall be paid a salary of \$3,000 per annum, payable monthly, and the assistant to the city attorney shall be paid a salary of \$1,500 per annum, payable monthly. In all cases, however, when the attendance of the city attorney or his assistant is required out of the city on business, their traveling expenses shall be allowed them.

## Convention at West End Mission

A business convention began in the West End Mission, 506 West Cary Street, Christmas night, and will close with a social on Monday.

## U. S. CONSUL AT ZANZIBAR TO ANSWER CHARGES

WASHINGTON, December 25.—Frederick McQuesten, of New York, United States consul at Zanzibar, who was ordered here under suspension to explain charges of mismanagement preferred against him by the British officials of Zanzibar, and who was also reported to have obtained money on false pretenses from a bank in Zanzibar, has been located in this country, and the State Department has been advised that he will reach Washington within a day or two.

## PRODUCE MARKET.

Cary Street Will Resume Business With Rush To-Day.

The produce market on Cary Street yesterday had something of the appearance of a deserted village. There was little or no business on "the block," and the produce and fruit dealers had nothing to do but to concentrate each other on the large and profitable trade they enjoyed during the high tide just before Christmas. In the absence of receipts and of customers to take them, they spent this time talking over events of the past ten days, and in planning up shop for the big work that they are sure is just ahead.

The country shippers will begin to send in stuff to-day, and by to-morrow at the farthest, active business will be resumed on Cary Street. The great wholesale produce market cannot be kept idle more than three days at a time, not even in a Christmas time.



# CUPID PLAYED A VERY SMART JOKE

Got Young Couple Married While Kinsfolk Guarded Way at Stations.

## THE USUAL HAPPY RESULTS

Invited Home by Bride's Parents and All Join in Splendid Dinner.

One of the smartest tricks Cupid has played in Richmond in a long while was consummated yesterday, when a happy young couple were joined in holy wedlock, while railway stations were being guarded by their relatives and friends.

Mr. Wm. B. Hicks and Miss Lala M. Ready were the contracting parties, and after the ceremony was over, although kinfolk had been guarding stations to prevent their anticipated elopement, the simple story of a splendid reception at the home of the bride's parents was told.

The young couple had secretly intended to "run away" originally, but they had thought themselves, and adopted a much more serious course.

While the parents of the bride had people waiting at several of the railway stations to intercept them, the couple had quietly secured a home and been married by the Rev. Dr. Robt. Forsyth, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, in his parlour.

A phone message was at once dispatched to the Ready home, and the parents of the young bride answered: "Come home, children; dinner awaits you."

This tells the story. The happy pair went to the bride's home.

Sentinels Called In.

The sentinels on the station towers at the stations were called in, and now all is well.

There was no objection to the marriage from the start, except that based upon the youth of the bride, and this was all overcome by the simple story in which the whole business was accomplished.

Mr. Hicks is a popular young man, and a car inspector for the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and his bride is a beautiful young girl, and a daughter of Mr. C. E. Ready, a prominent contractor, No. 1212 Floyd Avenue. The ceremony was a very quiet one, and was witnessed only by a few intimate friends.

Those who were present were Mrs. Irene Savage, Mr. John A. Heister, Jr., and Mr. H. B. Schultz.

When Mr. Ready performed the ceremony, he said: "The father of the bride, about the affair last night, he said: 'It is all right. They are married, and are at home. The facts are about as you state them.'"

## UNITED THREE COUPLES.

Rev. Joel Tucker Had Busy Time Yesterday.

Little old Cupid has been more than usually successful during the Christmas season, and he threw the burden of the results of his marksmanship for one day largely upon the shoulders of Rev. Joel Tucker, pastor of Branch Church, in Chesterfield county. That popular pastor yesterday performed three ceremonies, making six hearts to beat as three—no small feat for one day.

Mr. Joseph Atkins and Miss Hansome, daughter of Dr. Hansome, of Caroline county, were the first to appear with the request that they be made man and wife. Mr. Tucker performed the ceremony for them, and they went away happy. The next on the list were Mr. Robert H. Tiller and Miss Clara B. Dunford, both of this city, who came to Mr. Tucker at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. They were married, and they went away happy.

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## ISSUES WARNING.

Treasurer of Henrico Urges People to Pay Back Taxes.

Treasurer Henry C. Hatcher, of Henrico county, and yesterday afternoon that a good many people had come in to pay their taxes, but that there are many delinquents still on the list. Mr. Hatcher announces that it is a very important matter for the county to receive the taxes before the end of the year, or else the land owners will lose property of far greater value than the arrears in taxes.

Many people think that payment of delinquent taxes is of minor importance, and not worth thinking about, and not until their property is taken up by some land-grabber do they realize that they are mistaken. They think too, that if they have failed for some years to pay the taxes due, they are free to go to the department of the government that has such things in charge, but they must remember that a record is kept of all delinquent properties, and that, on failure to pay, the land must eventually be sold.

## Christmas Exercises.

The Christmas exercises of Broadus Memorial Bible School will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock. A special program has been arranged for the occasion, and there will be numerous recitations, songs and musical selections. The pupils will gather in classes in the school room, and the auditorium will be thrown open to visitors. A collection will be taken for the Baptist Orphanage at Salem.

## Mr. Eggleston Away.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Joseph D. Eggleston, who left for Charleston yesterday, Mr. Eggleston went to the Piedmont Normal school 20 miles, and will return here to-day.

# They are Liver Pills

Ayer's Pills are liver pills. They act directly on the liver, make more bile secreted. This is why they cure constipation, biliousness, dyspepsia, sick headache, and every ailment that comes from a liver that is not doing its work. If he does, then use his kind. We obtain the formulas of all our preparations.